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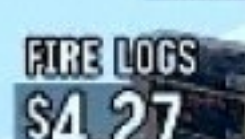
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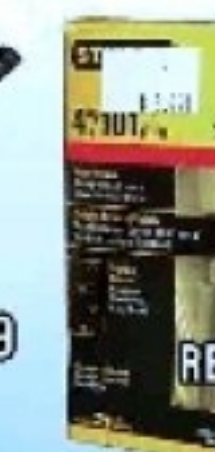
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## Bier Markt hiring for opening

### EMPLOYMENT

**But arrival comes as the market is 'pretty full'**



**Haley Ryan**  
Metro | Halifax

A national chain bar coming to Halifax could be good for competition and draw more people downtown according to advocates and business owners, but one expert says the market is "pretty full."

Earlier this week, listings for various jobs including chef and general manager at a new "downtown Halifax" Bier Markt location went up on Workopolis, confirming rumours swirling around the hospitality industry for months.

There was no specific address or opening date attached to the postings besides "this summer."

Gordon Stewart, executive director of the Restaurant Association of Nova Scotia (RANS) said a place like Bier Markt could do well here since beer

### + CONFIRMATION

Metro reached out to the Cara group to try and confirm a Bier Markt location here, but did not hear back by deadline Wednesday.



1 The Bier Markt in Ottawa METRO FILE

2 A Grimbergen Dubbel draught inside a Toronto Bier Markt. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

is still the "number one sales market by far."

The success of the craft beer industry means import beers often do well too, he said, but added at some point the beer market "is going to get saturated."

"The marketplace is getting pretty full right now. There's a lot of seats in the downtown core and there isn't any new market per se but there's lots more competition," Stewart said Wednesday.

Stewart said while sales have been strong, the profitability is not as strong as it should be in the industry overall — which usually means "some people will have to fall off in order to be profitable enough for some people to stay on."

Bier Markt has locations in Toronto as well as Ottawa, St. John's, and Montreal with a focus on brews, food, sports and music and more than 150 beers from over 30 countries. It's part of the Cara group of

restaurants, which include East Side Marios, Harvey's, Swiss Chalet and others.

Stewart said he'd heard unconfirmed reports the Markt might go in the new Nova Centre, although added there's a fair amount of commercial spaces opening up along Barrington Street or in buildings like The Maple.

Marcel Khoury, co-owner of HFX Sports Bar & Grill and the Alehouse, said he's not worried about losing business

since the Bier Markt isn't too similar to his or other bars in the city — plus anything attracting people to the urban core away from the outskirts "benefits everyone."

Khoury also said he thought it was "pretty much general knowledge" the Bier Markt would end up in the Nova Centre, and believes there's still room in the industry since there were "a lot more" bars here in the 1990s.

Paul MacKinnon, executive

director of the Downtown Halifax Business Commission, said there's always questions about how well independent places like Stillwell or the Stubborn Goat will do in the face of chains, but said the area has long had a bent towards supporting local bars.

"People will either embrace it or not, but from our perspective more restaurants the better, and the more different ones the better too," MacKinnon said.

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## RACIAL PROFILING

## Lawyer offers tips on street checks



**Zane Woodford**  
Metro | Halifax

You have the right to tell police to “pound sand” if you get street checked, according to a Halifax lawyer. Easier said than done.

Data released this week by Halifax Regional Police and Halifax RCMP show that black people are more than three times more likely than white people to be street checked.

Street checks are, according to police, “when an officer either observes somebody or something going on or has an interaction or conversation with someone.”

The officer then creates a record of that interaction, which is filed in a police database.

“The police have no ability to legally require you to stop and answer questions and provide ID unless you are under arrest or unless they are writing you a ticket,” lawyer David Fraser said in an interview.

“You have the legal right to tell them to go pound sand, but are you really going to do that?”

As a middle-aged white man, Fraser said he’d be pretty confident in doing so, but probably still wouldn’t.

“If you want to exercise your rights, you just say, ‘Am I being detained? Am I free to go?’ And if the answer to being detained is no, then am I free to go, yes, then you just walk away.”

Fraser believes police should “hit pause” on street checks till they’ve determined whether they have any positive effect.

“The only information we have is that it’s generally a negative because you’re collecting personal information about people against their will, you’re coercing them, you’re intimidating them, you’re stopping them on the street and you’re interfering with their constitutional rights,” he said.

“Those are all negatives, but where are the positives?”

### BY THE NUMBERS

RCMP in Halifax are conducting a higher percentage of street checks on black people than their Halifax Regional Police counterparts.

**3.59%**

In 2011, black people represented only 3.59% of the population in Halifax Regional Municipal Authority.

SOURCE: STATSCAN.

**11.08%**

11.08% of the people Halifax Regional Police street-check are black.

SOURCE: HALIFAX REGIONAL POLICE

**12%**

Blacks comprised 12% of those stopped in RCMP street checks in Halifax Regional Municipality from March 2006—March 2016.

SOURCE: RCMP ONLINE DATA.

**41%**

Of 1,246 people street-checked in the first 10 months of 2016, 41% were black. SOURCE: RCMP ONLINE DATA.

**93%**

More than 50% of the street checks conducted in 2016 were in the Cole Harbour District, which includes North and East Preston and Cherrybrook. In that district, 93% of the people street-checked from Jan. 1 to the end of October 2016 were black. SOURCE: RCMP

## CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

## Judge still making decision whether to release images

A Nova Scotia judge has reserved his decision on whether to release additional evidence to media in a case involving the alleged sharing of intimate images by teenagers without consent.

Six Nova Scotia teenaged boys are charged with sharing images of at least 20 high school girls in Bridgewater, N.S.

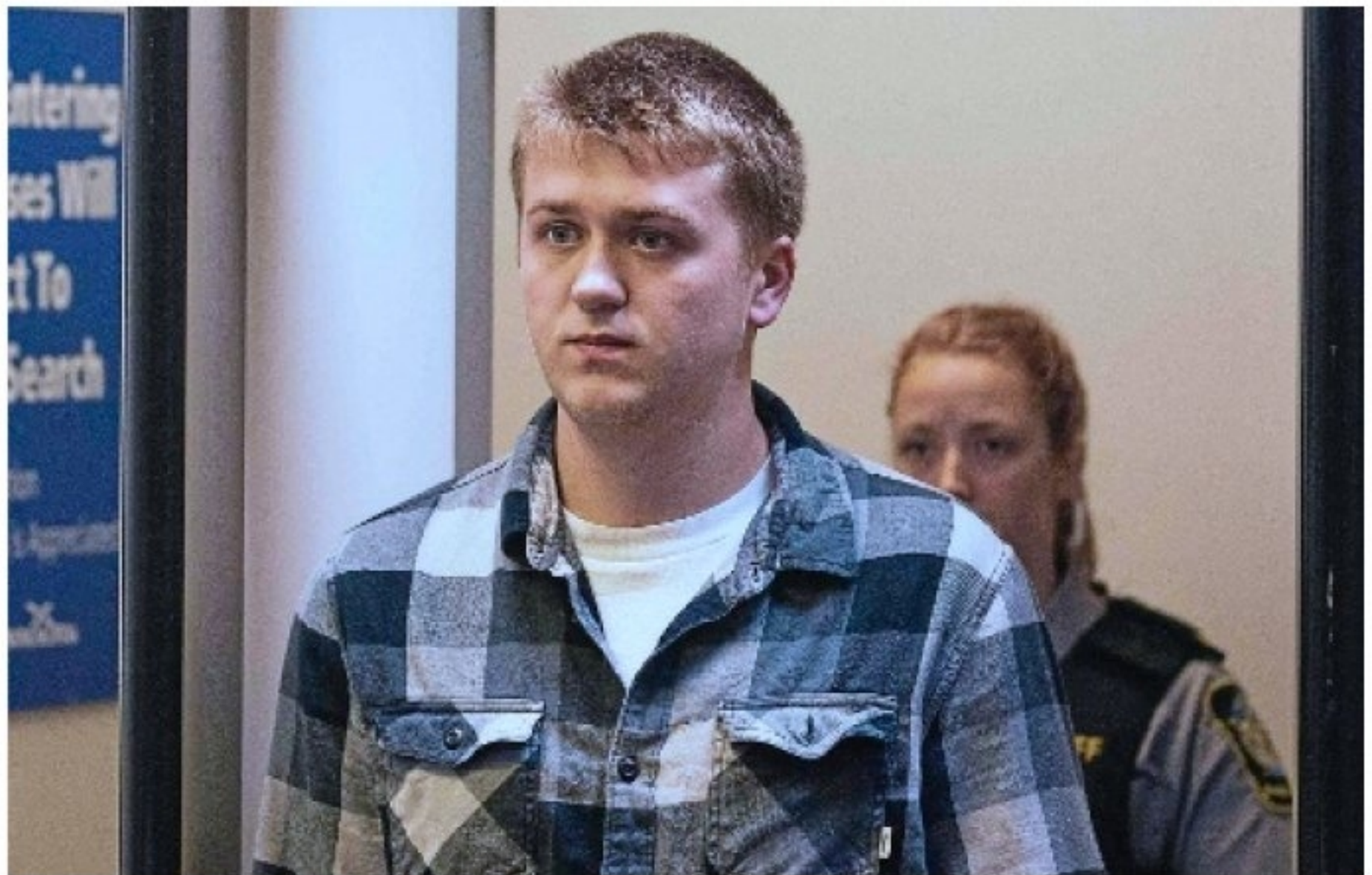
Crown and defence lawyers argued it’s in the interest of the public and the administration of justice if the information re-

mains redacted.

Judge Paul Scovil reserved his decision until March 3.

Two 18-year-olds and four 15-year-old boys are facing charges of distributing intimate images without consent, and possessing and distributing child pornography.

The case is one of the first in Canada involving legislation introduced in late 2013 after the death of Nova Scotia teen Rehtaeh Parsons. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Anthony Lloyd Cox enters Dartmouth Provincial Court last July. JEFF HARPER/METRO

## Drunk driving ruling ‘some relief’: Advocate

## CRIMINAL OFFENCE

### But she argues prison time ‘nothing’ vs. loss of life



**Yvette d'Entremont**  
Metro | Halifax

The 4.5 year prison sentence given to a Beaver Bank man responsible for a drunk driving crash that claimed the lives of two passengers may provide “some relief,” but definitely doesn’t take away the pain.

Anissa Aldridge, Atlantic Region director for MADD Canada, described Tuesday’s sentencing

of Anthony Lloyd Cox, 22, as “heart-wrenching” for family and friends of the victims.

“In some ways there was some form of relief that something was decided, but you can never say that anyone is happy with the outcome or satisfied with the length of time,” Aldridge said in an interview on Wednesday.

“At the risk of sounding trite, the families and loved ones received a lifelong sentence, so 4.5 years is really nothing in the whole realm of things.”

Cox was the driver of the Honda Civic that crashed near 2028 Beaver Bank Rd. on Oct. 18, 2015.

A male passenger, Gregory Goulding, 21, died at the scene. Danielle Hudson, 22, died later

### 5 year ban

Besides the 4.5 year prison term, Anthony Cox was banned from driving for five years.

in hospital. A third passenger, Miranda MacIsaac, 19, was injured.

Besides the 4.5 year prison term, Cox was banned from driving for five years.

“It was fair if you study the history of sentencing here in Nova Scotia. Of the cases that were mentioned, certainly (Cox’s sentence) was in the mean... The range was roughly three to seven years for similar cases

and situations,” she said.

“It’s just not enough. And while I understand that Mr. Cox showed remorse and certainly he was crying in the courtroom when he addressed the families and apologized and said that he was sorry, it is a criminal offence and two lives were lost and several affected greatly. If not destroyed.”

Aldridge said those impacted by drunk driving are always welcome to attend the MADD Halifax chapter sharing circles held every six weeks.

“Even if you’ve lost someone 20 years ago, you may still to this day be working on what that loss means for you,” she said. “It’s why it’s so important to keep talking and having this conversation.”

## SEX CRIME

## Crown appeals sentence for ex-teacher



Carolyn Amy Hood. TC MEDIA

The Crown is appealing the sentence of a former school teacher found guilty of sex crimes.

A notice of appeal has been filed with the Nova Scotia Court of Appeal asking that the court impose a new sentence of at least two years in prison for Carolyn Amy Hood.

Hood, 40, of Stellarton was sentenced in December to a 15-month conditional sentence

order that includes 12 months’ house arrest followed by two years’ probation. Hood admitted to two counts of luring, sexual interference and sexual exploitation. The charges were laid in relation to offences involving teenage boys from Feb. 1 to Sept. 30, 2013.

She was teaching Grade 6 at Thorburn Consolidated at the time when it was a Primary to Grade 9 school.

The defence argued during an eight-day trial that Hood was not criminally responsible at the time because of a mental disorder, but the court wasn’t convinced by this argument and rendered guilty verdicts on all four charges.

The Crown had asked the court during the sentencing hearing to consider a sentence of four years.

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# Tragedy that defies explanation

## DESMOND FAMILY

### Priest speaks of search for answers at first of funerals

The funeral service inside the big, old church by the harbour started with the arrival of two caskets — one draped in the Canadian flag and carrying the remains of former soldier Lionel Desmond, the other his mother Brenda.

More than 300 people filled the pews inside St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church in Tracadie, a small village in northeastern Nova Scotia on the edge of St. Georges Bay. Many onlookers crowded into the entryway of the 200-year-old church, and a handful stood outside, despite a cold, driving rain.

Desmond was a 33-year-old veteran of the war in Afghanistan who suffered from post-traumatic stress disorder. He took his own life last week after he fatally shot his 52-year-old mother, his wife Shanna and their 10-year-old daughter Aaliyah — a ghastly, unthinkable crime that attracted national attention and sparked a difficult debate over PTSD and family violence.

The funeral for Desmond's wife and daughter is scheduled for Thursday afternoon, across the street from St. Peter's, at the local hall.

During the Roman Catholic service Wednesday, Rev. John Barry said it was impossible to offer an explanation for such



a "horrific tragedy."

"In the face of such tragedy, it sometimes feels that all is lost," the priest said. "Inevitably, we all are searching for answers and we are asking many questions ... We cry out to God, for he is the only one we can turn to."

Among mourners were members of the military and the Royal Canadian Legion, as well as a few veterans wearing leather jackets with their regiments displayed on the back.

Brenda Desmond's casket was brought in first and placed in the centre aisle. Her

son's flag-draped casket was brought in next, as a piper played a dirge.

As the caskets were carried to the front of the church, a few mourners at the front wailed with grief.

The priest described Brenda Desmond as "loving and kind." He mentioned her sense of humour, her capacity for hard work and her enduring faith.

"Nothing seemed impossible to her," Barry said, adding that she always seemed to win at bingo, which drew



**Left:** The flag-draped coffin of Lionel Desmond is carried into St. Peter's Church in Tracadie on Wednesday. **Above:** Family and friends arrive at the funeral for Desmond and his mother Brenda Desmond. PHOTOS: ANDREW VAUGHAN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

a laugh from the mourners.

"Brenda led a good life, as short as it was," he said.

On the cover of the leaflets handed out at the service, a photo of Brenda Desmond shows her in a white construction helmet, a broad smile on her face. Family members say she worked on road construction crews during the warmer seasons.

In Lionel Desmond's photo, he is wearing the green uniform of the Canadian army, his wide smile very similar to

his mother's.

Barry described Lionel Desmond as "affable and friendly."

"He, like his mother Brenda, always had a lovely smile, and a pleasant manner and an engaging personality."

"He was always ready to do whatever he could to help and provide for others. These attributes, no doubt, were the primary reason he went to serve in the Armed Forces in September of 2004."

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# Glamping in the dead of winter



Cyndi Sweeney, owner of East Coast Glamping, displays some of the Camp Glamp supplies in her home on Wednesday.

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## CAMP GLAMP

### Indoor camp brings fun of outdoor leisure inside



**Yvette d'Entremont**  
Metro | Halifax

Want to camp but hate the cold? Or maybe you just doubt your outdoor skills?

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to 100 kilometres beyond), you can now have a customized indoor camping slumber party.

The snow and ice-free camp experience includes tents, lanterns, faux fire, outdoor sounds, pillows, and even campfire food depending on the package you choose.

Since launching the indoor camp experience in November, East Coast Glamping has been "flat-out" busy.

"Last year as we were putting all our (camping) inventory away at the end of October I was looking at it and was trying to figure out how

It can be outdoors as well in the day time setting and it can more indoors at night for the kids sleeping inside the house. I haven't seen anything else quite like it. Cyndi Sweeney

we could keep it going," said owner Cyndi Sweeney.

That's how Camp Glamp was born. Although the typical age range so far has been three to about 12, the Hammonds Plains resident said they customize parties to any age.

"You get a market where parents feel kids are a bit too young and they don't want them all sleeping out overnight in a tent, and so that's where Camp Glamp comes in because it's an indoor experience," she said.



Some of the Camp Glamp supplies. JEFF HARPER/METRO

"It can be outdoors as well in a day time setting and it can move indoors at night for the kids sleeping inside the house. I haven't seen anything else out there quite like it."

With a star projector for the ceiling and a sound machine to recreate the noise of crickets, a river, and other forest sounds, Sweeney said it's a small way to give children who've never camped a taste of what the experience could be like.

However, adults are also expressing an interest in the service, leading Sweeney to tweet that Camp Glamp is #notjustforkids.

"Before Christmas we set up at a woman's house and

## + MORE ONLINE

More about the "cool and cozy" idea can be found at [campglamp.ca](http://campglamp.ca)

she was showcasing local companies and there were different vendors there," Sweeney recalled.

"All of the women (gathered) around the faux campfire and were hanging out with the pillows and lying in the tent and they were laughing and saying 'We need to do a party for ourselves.' So I suppose there is some appeal there for sure. I love it myself."

## COURT

### Judge tells rights board to reconsider 'special diet' case

A Nova Scotia judge has quashed a decision by the province's human rights commission, effectively forcing it to re-visit a discrimination claim by five social assistance recipients who complain the province hasn't increased the special diet allowance for those with chronic medical problems since 1996.

The case, if ultimately heard by a Nova Scotia Human Rights Commission board of inquiry, could have significance for the 9,000

Nova Scotians who get special diet assistance each month. The province spent \$8.8 million on special needs diets in 2015-16.

In a written decision released Wednesday, Judge James Chipman found the Nova Scotia Human Rights Commission was "unreasonable" in rejecting the claim and he sent the case back to the commission for reconsideration in "accordance with the principles of fairness and transparency" and

without a new investigation.

The women argued in December before the Nova Scotia Supreme Court that the Community Services Department discriminated against them based on their disabilities.

They went to court after the commission opted not to refer the complaint to a board of inquiry because it felt there was not a "reasonable likelihood" that an investigation would reveal evidence of discrimination under the Human Rights Act (HRA).

The decision followed a six-month long investigation by commission officer Melanie MacNaughton, who recommended a board of inquiry in the case.

"I make this finding given the commission's decision relied on a section of the HRA which, in context, does not make sense," Chipman wrote.

"Given that an investigation had already taken place, I am of the view this rationale does not make sense and therefore the decision is un-

reasonable."

Chipman's ruling was welcomed by the legal aid lawyer for Halifax's North End Community Health Centre and the five complainants in the case; Deborah Wright, Bonnie Barrett, Roxanne Barton, Pamela Chandler, and Michele Cox.

"We're very pleased about that in the sense that it keeps the complaint alive," said Vincent Calderhead.

"Really what we are seeking out of this is a hearing ... for people who are among

## + FUNDING

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Dietary allowances can vary, but applicants can get up to a maximum of \$150 per month per person for various health-related needs.

the most vulnerable people in Nova Scotia income-wise."

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The Arca 1 after it ran aground off the coast of Nova Scotia, Sunday. HANDOUT

## Bigger tug to help grounded ship

TRANSPORT

**'Larger horsepower' is required to move the Arca 1**

A tanker remains grounded on the sandy bottom of a Cape Breton bay, as a salvage company readies a more powerful tug after a failed attempt to dislodge the boat Tuesday night.

The bid to refloat and tow the Arca 1 resulted in only minor movements towards deeper water, Olous Boag, vice president of McKeil Marine, said Wednesday.

Boag said the tow was called off shortly after high tide, and it was determined the larger tug Tim McKeil would be required.

He said in an interview the company had hoped that by pumping out the 300 tonnes of ballast water from the tanker, it would have permitted a smaller tug to pull the vessel off the sand north of Sydney

Mines, N.S. However, difficulties breaking through a half metre of ice to install portable pumps to remove ballast water caused slowdowns — and it turned out additional portable pumps will be needed to fully empty the tanks between low and high tides.

Only about half of the ballast water was pumped off in the first attempt. "It turns out we need the larger horsepower and additional pumps," said Boag.

The salvage executive says the firm remains optimistic the tanker can be moved in a few days, but it will require bringing in additional steel wire and floating rope because the more powerful tug must stay about a kilometre away from the grounded vessel.

Boag said the vessel is sitting in just 60 centimetres of water. "At low water, you can almost

walk around the Arca," he said.

There will be "challenges" in setting up the next towing effort, he said, including worsening weather and the freezing of ballast water. Tests will also be needed to ensure the force of the tow doesn't rip off the connection points to the tanker, he added.

The precise timing of the next attempt to move the ship will depend on daily forecasts and wind speeds, and the Canadian Coast Guard must approve the plan, said Boag.

The Arca 1 — which is carrying 15 tonnes of fuel for its own engines — ran aground just north of Sydney Mines on Sunday after losing engine power, and its six-member crew was rescued later that day.

The tanker was en route to Mexico carrying no cargo when it experienced mechanical difficulties. THE CANADIAN PRESS



**At low water, you can almost walk around the Arca.**

Olous Boag

ANIMAL RIGHTS

## Surrender leaves SPCA struggling to care for several birds and pets

The Kings SPCA shelter is in need of donations to care for a large number of birds and pocket pet after a surrender this week.

An SPCA spokesperson said the shelter does not generally care for such small animals and "we now find ourselves in desperate need of donations."

Taken into the Waterville

shelter were two rabbits, two dogs, eight budgies, a dove, a cockatiel and two kinds of guinea pigs.

Among the items needed are: cuttle bones, mineral blocks, spray millet, budgie seeds, cockatiel seeds, dove seed mix, as well as rabbit and guinea pig pellets, other supplies, romaine lettuce and carrots. The surrender to the

investigators followed a complaint.

Const. Joanne Landsberg said the owner was overwhelmed and had good intentions.

"They were in good shape and this is often the case," she said. Landsberg added, "you can imagine we're not used to stocking vegetables."

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CENTENARIAN

## Woman dies at 107, leaves a legacy of joy

Although there were struggles, there was also a lot of joy and laughter in Jeanette Brown's life — right to the end.

Brown, who was 107 years old, died on Jan. 6, but left her family and friends with many wonderful memories.

"She had a great day on her 107th birthday and got world-wide attention," said her granddaughter Jeanette Paris.

"At Christmas I had dinner with her at the nursing home (Wynn Park Villa) and

we sang songs, and she was just smiling.

"On New Year's Day I went in and told her it was 2017 and she said, 'Imagine that!'"

She said her grandmother often asked her what was in the news. "She didn't want to miss a thing. She loved family, she loved education and she was always thinking of others and what they might need."

She noticed Brown's health failing more during the last couple of months and feels she was ready to go.

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Jeanette Brown at her birthday last year. THE CANADIAN PRESS

IN BRIEF

**Halifax home broken into twice in the same night**

Police have charged two young men after they allegedly broke into the same Halifax home twice in one night. Police said they were first called to a house in the 5000 block of Harvey Street around 6:30 p.m. Tuesday. After it was reported more thieves entered the home and stole some things.

Officers were called back to the same home in the city's south end at 1 a.m. Wednesday. METRO

**Man faces charges for stealing \$4,000 ring**

A Nova Scotia man is facing charges for allegedly stealing a \$4,000 ring.

Cape Breton Regional Police were called to London Jewelers on Charlotte Street in Sydney on Dec. 27, where staff reported that a man had taken a ring. Patrol officers and a K9 team finally found the suspect Edward Joseph Thomas Whitty, 29, of Sydney Mines. METRO

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# 'Unsung hero' in labour rights faces deportation

## IMMIGRATION

### Migrant worker and advocate out of options

A migrant worker who has stood up for fellow workers and become a public face of the labour rights movement is facing deportation herself, caught up in the very rules she fought successfully to change.

Gina Bahiwal, 42, has run out of options and is scheduled for deportation to the Philippines on Sunday. She was left without status under the former Tory government's now rescinded "four-in-four-out" rules that banned migrant workers from Canada for four years after having worked here for four.

"I have been inspired by Gina's dedication and tenacity to fight for the rights of migrant workers. From advocating for their maternal rights to exposing the unscrupulous practices of mi-



Gina Bahiwal speaks before a parliamentary committee last year that led to changing rules. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

grant recruiters, Gina is one of our unsung heroes," said Chris Ramsaroop of the advocacy group Justicia for Migrant Workers.

Bahiwal, who has a university degree and worked as a social worker in the Philippines, came to Canada in 2008 under the temporary foreign worker program and worked in Ontario and British Columbia in vegetable packing on farms, hotel housekeeping and at a McDonald's.

She said she paid a Canadian recruiter \$5,000 to find her a job in Leamington, Ont., packing to-

matoes, peppers and cucumbers but found herself unemployed when she refused to pay another \$2,200 to the recruiter to renew her work permit. She later found another job at a different farm.

In 2012, when the Conservative government introduced the four-year ban on migrant workers, Bahiwal knew her days in Canada were numbered and decided to find another job that could potentially offer her a path to permanent residency here.

Bahiwal said she paid another recruiter \$1,500 for a job as a

housekeeper in B.C. She said she left after two years because she stood up for another migrant worker over her firing and the employer allegedly refused to sponsor Bahiwal's immigration.

Later she found a job at a McDonald's in Hope, B.C., and applied for permanent status in Canada under the provincial nominee program. However, her earnings did not meet the government's income eligibility threshold.

Although the Liberal government recently rescinded the four-in-four-out rules after a parliamentary review of the temporary foreign worker program, Bahiwal's work permit expired in October 2015 under the old regulations.

"Gina's case is different from other cases because of her advocacy work. She is the spokesperson for this vulnerable group," Bahiwal's lawyer, Richard Wazana, said. "We are hoping immigration officials will recognize that and allow Gina to remain in Canada."

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## FIRST NATIONS

### Girls' suicides shows need for action: Chief

The deaths of two 12-year-old girls from a remote First Nation in northern Ontario are further evidence of the need for a national suicide strategy to help protect children across Canada, a prominent indigenous leader says.

One of the girls was found dead Sunday and the second one Tuesday in Wapekeka First Nation, an isolated community of about 360 people. The community is focused on ensuring there is enough support in place to stabilize the situation, said Nishnawbe Aski Nation Grand Chief Alvin Fiddler. A number of young people that have

been identified as high-risk were flown out of the community, and there's reason to believe others may be at risk, Fiddler said.

"I did request the police to monitor the social media activity of these children and youth to try and detect if there is a pattern," he said.

In December, Fiddler called an emergency meeting with federal cabinet ministers and Assembly of First Nations National Chief Perry Bellegarde, where he made a direct link between suicide and the prevalence of childhood sexual abuse in indigenous communities. THE CANADIAN PRESS

### No 'quid pro quo' with Russia, Canada says

Canada is rebuffing the Kremlin's thinly veiled overtures that it might be willing to lift a travel ban on new Foreign Affairs Minister Chrystia Freeland if it eases sanctions on Russia.

Joseph Pickerill, Freeland's spokesman, says Canada isn't interested in any bargaining on the subject.

"There is no quid pro quo for aggression and illegal action on

their part," Pickerill said.

The Russian news agency Sputnik reported Wednesday that the country wanted to improve relations with Canada and end the diplomatic fight. Sputnik reported that a source told reporters, "We are ready to co-operate with Canada in all directions, improve relations and end the sanctions war. But we did not start it." THE CANADIAN PRESS



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## SCIENCE

## Moon over the hill at 4.51 billion years old: Study

It turns out the moon is older than many scientists suspected: a ripe 4.51 billion years old.

That's the newest estimate, thanks to rocks and soil collected by the Apollo 14 moonwalkers in 1971.

A research team reported Wednesday that the moon formed within 60 million years of the birth of the solar system. Previous estimates ranged within 100 million years, all the way out to 200 million years after the solar system's creation, not quite 4.6 billion years ago.

The scientists conducted uranium-lead dating on fragments of the mineral zircon extracted from Apollo 14 lunar samples. The pieces of zircon were minuscule — no bigger than a grain of sand.

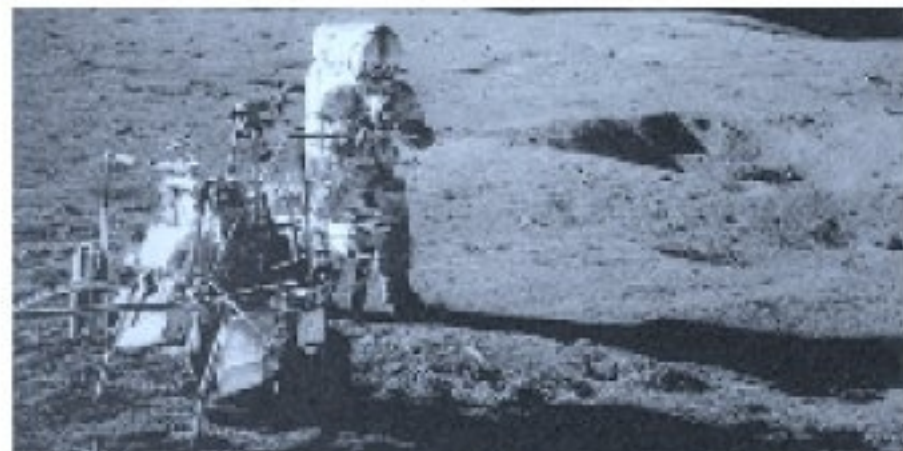
"Size doesn't matter, they record amazing information nonetheless!" lead author Melanie Barboni of the University of California, Los Angeles, said in an email.

She noted that the moon holds "so much magic ... the key to understand how our beautiful Earth formed and evolved."

The moon was created from debris knocked off from Earth, which itself is thought to be roughly 4.54 billion years old.

Some of the eight zircon samples were used in a previous study, also conducted at UCLA, that utilized more limited techniques. Barboni said she is studying more zircons from Apollo 14 samples, but doesn't expect it to change her estimate of 4.51 billion years for the moon's age, possibly 4.52 billion years at the most.

"It would be more a double-checking than anything else," she explained. She and her colleagues — whose work appeared Wednesday in the journal *Science Advance* — are eager to learn more about the moon's history and, in turn, the evolution of early Earth and the entire solar system. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Apollo 14 astronaut Alan B. Shepard Jr. conducts an experiment near a lunar crater. On Wednesday, a California-led research team reported that the moon formed within 60 million years of the birth of the solar system. NASA VIA THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## POLISH FOREIGN MINISTER

## Mention of nonexistent country sparks jokes

The Polish foreign minister has been mocked on Twitter for saying he had a meeting with the representative of a nonexistent country as part of Poland's bid for a seat on the UN Security Council.

Witold Waszczykowski was in New York this week to lobby for a seat on the council from 2018-19. He told reporters while there on Tuesday that he had meetings with officials from nearly 20 countries, including some Caribbean nations "for the first time in the history of our diplomacy. For example with countries such as Belize or San Escobar."

There is no country called San Escobar. Waszczykowski explained Wednesday that it was just a slip of the tongue made while he was tired and that he had in mind Saint Kitts and Nevis, a two-island Caribbean country known in Span-



Poland's Foreign Minister Witold Waszczykowski THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ish as San Cristobal y Nieves.

That hasn't stopped an eruption of jokes under the hashtag #SanEscobar, including an invented flag and a slew of fake news about the fictional place. One tweet said that San Escobar "fully supports Poland's candidacy to the Security Council."

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U.S. President-elect Donald Trump speaks during a press conference on Wednesday. AFP/GETTY IMAGES

# Russian report explained

Here's what you need to know about the explosive allegations

President-elect Donald Trump held a news conference in response to a shocking new wave of allegations that Russia collected information that could be used to compromise him. The allegations run from the time before Trump entered the political stage, when he developed business interests in Russia up to the 2016 U.S. presidential election.

### WHAT ARE THE ALLEGATIONS?

The allegations are that Russia has collected compromising sex videos and personal information about President-elect Donald Trump. The allegations center around memos delivered to Trump and out-going U.S.

President Barack Obama last week by intelligence chiefs.

The memos suggest that for many years the Russian government has looked for ways to influence Trump. The memos describe videos involving prostitutes with Trump in a 2013 visit to a Moscow hotel. The videos were supposedly prepared as "kompromat," or compromising material, with the possible goal of blackmailing Trump. The memos also suggest that Russian officials proposed various lucrative deals, essentially as disguised bribes in order to win influence over the real estate magnate.

### ARE THE ALLEGATIONS PROVEN?

No.

### TRUMP'S REACTION?

On Tuesday night, Trump responded on Twitter: "FAKE NEWS — A TOTAL POLITICAL WITCH HUNT!"

A spokesperson for the Russian government also categorically denied the allegations as totally false.

### WHAT ARE ALLEGATIONS BASED UPON?

The memos were generated by political operatives seeking to derail Trump's candidacy. The summary of the memos was presented as an appendix to the intelligence agencies' report on Russian hacking efforts, sources told The New York Times.

### WHO DREW UP ALLEGATIONS?

The memos were prepared mainly by a retired British intelligence operative for a Washington political and corporate research firm.

The firm was paid for its work first by Trump's Republican rivals and later by supporters of his Democratic opponent, Hillary Clinton.

### WHEN DID TRUMP HEAR THEM?

Obama and Trump were presented with a summary of the unsubstantiated reports last week by the chiefs of the U.S. intelligence agencies, The Times reports.

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## Trump concedes Russia's role in hacking

In a combative and freewheeling news conference, President-elect Donald Trump said for the first time Wednesday that he accepts Russia was behind the election year hacking of Democrats that roiled the White House race. Looking ahead, he urged Congress to move quickly to replace President Barack Obama's signature health-care law.

The hour-long spectacle in the marbled lobby of Trump's Manhattan skyscraper was his first news conference since

winning the election in early November, and the famously unconventional politician demonstrated he had not been changed by the weight of his victory.

He denied reports that Russia had collected compromising personal and financial information about him, lambasting the media for peddling "fake news" and shouting down a journalist from CNN. His family and advisers clapped and cheered him on. Trump's transition has been

shadowed by U.S. intelligence assessments that Russia not only meddled in the election, but did so to help him defeat Hillary Clinton.

"As far as hacking, I think it was Russia," Trump said, quickly adding that "other countries and other people" also hack U.S. interests. Still, he kept needling the intelligence agencies, saying it would be a "tremendous blot" on their record if officials were leaking information.

Wednesday's news confer-

ence was initially billed as a chance for Trump to answer questions about his plans for distancing himself from his sprawling, family-owned real estate and licensing business.

Lawyer Sheri Dillon stepped to the lectern midway through the event to announce that the president-elect was relinquishing control of the Trump Organization to his adult sons and an executive, as well as putting his business assets in a trust.

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## BOB HEPBURN ON KEVIN O'LEARY



**Because he isn't an official candidate yet, the celebrity entrepreneur is not required to state where he stands. Still, there are key questions for him to answer.**

Kevin O'Leary is a real tease, isn't he?

For more than a year, the multimillionaire entrepreneur has been tossing out hints that he will run for the federal Conservative leadership, a move that has many party loyalists salivating.

Over that time, O'Leary, who became a national celebrity as a panelist on the CBC-TV program *Dragon's Den*, has met with dozens of federal MPs, has launched his own campaign-style website, O'Leary for Canada, has posted videos on his Facebook page denouncing Justin Trudeau and has created an exploratory committee with high-profile Tories, such as former Ontario premier Mike Harris. The list goes on.

But at times O'Leary has inexplicably pulled back, suggesting variously that the timing isn't quite right, or that the field of candidates is too crowded right now or that he needs a better sense of the true mood of party members.

It's enough to break the heart of any Conservative desperate to defeat Trudeau in the 2019 election and who looks with despair at the 14 candidates already in the Tory race.

O'Leary can continue to tease his fans until Feb. 24, the last day for leadership hopefuls to officially declare their candidacy.

**The Conservatives tarred Michael Ignatieff with the 'Just Visiting' tag. Will O'Leary, who has said 'Boston is home,' also be 'just visiting'?**

Because he isn't an official candidate yet, O'Leary is not required to state where he stands on any issue. Still, there are key questions for him to answer if and when he does enter the race. They include:

First, will you run in the 2019 election even if you lose the leadership race?

Given the timeline of when he must enter the race (Feb. 24) and when the leadership votes will be announced (May 27), O'Leary may well be a politician

others. To avoid potential conflicts of interest, many rich political leaders, including president-elect Donald Trump, have taken steps to insure they are squeaky clean in this area.

Third, will you move full-time to Canada rather than continue to split your time between here and Boston, where you have lived since the mid-1990s, if you win the leadership?

While O'Leary owns property in Toronto, he told *Boston Magazine* in 2013 that "Boston is

on any other issue, such as the Middle East, environment or social policy, such as assisted suicide.

Fifth, will you pledge to learn French even if you lose the leadership race?

Last year O'Leary, who doesn't speak French, casually dismissed the notion that a federal party leader should be bilingual. Now, though, he's reportedly hired a private French tutor and says he is "going to try" to learn the language.

If O'Leary does enter the leadership race, he may stand the best chance of winning.

The reasons are obvious: a weak slate of opponents, his huge name recognition and his Trump-style tough-talking image that appeals to many voters. An indication of the size of O'Leary's following is the fact that his latest Facebook video, in which he attacked Trudeau on the economy, was viewed more than 144,000 times in the first 48 hours after it was posted.

Fact-checkers had a field day with that seven-minute video. Among the statements noted was one where he said Trudeau's cabinet "are all ex-Ontarioites under Dalton McGuinty." In fact, only 11 of 31 ministers are from Ontario and not one was a provincial MPP. Also, he said Canada's population is 34 million, when it is actually more than 36 million.

With six weeks to go before the deadline to enter the race, O'Leary has lots of time to craft replies to the key questions. His answers should reveal much about just how serious he is about being a full-time politician.

**Bob Hepburn** is a columnist for the *Toronto Star*.



Celebrity businessman Kevin O'Leary speaks during a session entitled "If I run here's how I'd do it" during a conservative conference in Ottawa in February 2016. THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

for barely three months. If he loses, he could easily slink back to Boston where he lives, having invested little time or money. Even if he wins the leadership, O'Leary could quit politics within three years if the Liberals are re-elected.

Second, will you sell or put your businesses in a blind trust if you win the leadership?

O'Leary has a slew of various companies, including the O'Leary Financial Group, O'Leary Ventures, O'Leary Fine Wines, and

home." It was the Conservatives who tarred former Liberal leader Michael Ignatieff with the "Just Visiting" tag when he came back to Canada after decades of living abroad to enter federal politics. Will O'Leary also be "just visiting"?

Fourth, will you release a full set of policy proposals during the leadership campaign?

So far O'Leary has spent much of his time bashing the Liberals over the economy and barely touching

## VICKY MOCHAMA



**Status of Women should not be where ministers go to rot**

Justin Trudeau announced a reshuffle in the cabinet which included a reassignment for Maryam Monsef to the Ministry for the Status of Women. Several have described the move as a demotion. It's considered thus because the office doesn't have the power, prestige or budget of other government departments.

Yet the characterization rings hollow.

For Monsef, it's a lateral move. Let's not pretend that in her former post as minister for democratic institutions she was in any way central to conversations about war or taxes. On her biggest file — electoral reform — she seemed earnest but indecisive. That is if we're being generous.

That Status of Women is considered a step down tells us a lot about the actual status of women in Canada in 2016.

This new position actually gives her a slightly more robust portfolio with working relationships across the cabinet, such as with Justice and Indigenous Affairs, on the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women inquiry. She is now in charge of a department with a dedicated staff, a budget and a wide-ranging brief.

From a thinly funded portfolio and the unfortunate task of exciting the populace about proportional representation, she now has far more power to compel policy.

Take, for example, gender-based analysis.

Since signing the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action in 1995, the federal

government has promised to implement gender-based analysis on all policy decisions. Last year, the auditor general revealed the practice has been inconsistent. Of 25 departments, six did not have a framework for gender-based analysis. The rest had partial or incomplete plans.

For two decades then (and counting), there has been a measurably incomplete commitment to looking at how policy impacts the lives of men and women. At present, our national picture of gender and policy is patchwork. This is where Status of Women steps in.

The mandate letter requires the minister to work the Privy Council Office to "ensure that a gender-based analysis is applied to proposals before they arrive at Cabinet for decision-making." With an additional \$3 million in the ministry's coffers from the latest budget, there is now financial room for the incoming minister to make gender-based analysis a priority. From a doomed portfolio, she is now more than equipped to tackle the challenges at Status of Women.

Monsef's track record as minister of democratic institutions should, however, give the 50 per cent of women in the country pause. Despite the testimony of 200 experts and conversations with citizens who joined her as she toured the country, electoral reform is all but dead.

Her new job is not a demotion but it may yet prove an exercise in failing upwards.

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## Metro's WOMEN'S MARCH SURVIVAL GUIDE

Tens of thousands of people are heading to the U.S. capital on Jan. 21 for the Women's March on Washington. Hundreds of cities are holding similar events in solidarity. Many will be attending a political rally for the very first time. **Genna Buck** asked the pros what you need to know.

Next week, the United States will be swearing in a president who has called women "dogs" and "fat pigs," made fun of menstruation and bragged about sexual assault. The day after Donald Trump's inauguration, women will be descending on Washington D.C. to express their displeasure. But what

do you pack for a march? What's the etiquette? We asked for tips from **Tori Cress**, a veteran indigenous political organizer in the Idle No More movement, and **Marissa McTasney**, who is organizing bus trips to D.C. from Canada. Here's their best advice, in a handy format you can stick on the back of a sign.

### A ROUGH GUIDE TO PROTEST

**Tori Cress** is a seasoned pro at political action. If you are attending a march next Saturday, here's her best advice:

#### KEEP UP TO DATE

Any last-minute changes are usually posted on whatever website or social media service the group is using to get organized, so check it often.

#### STAY OUT OF TROUBLE

Be aware of hangers-on around the sides of a march route, saying hateful things and trying to provoke a reaction and get you off-message. "Don't engage," Cress said.

#### RESPECTFULLY COEXIST

There are going to be large gatherings with many different groups with various agendas. "I usually just stick with my own crowd," Cress said. "We do all have our own issues, and they're all important. You don't want to try to make your issue more important. It's all white supremacy and patriarchy that we're fighting. It affects us in different ways."

#### FOLLOW THE LEADER

Stick to the route that's been planned, and if there's a designated person in your group who communicates with the local authorities or police, leave them to do it. "Trying to take the lead and step over organizers is a common mistake that new people make," Cress said.

## PACKING AND PREPPING

### DON'T FORGET THIS STUFF — A CHECKLIST

☐ **Dress for the weather** In January, Washington D.C. is usually between -2 and 6 C and damp, so you'll need warm layers and winter boots you can walk in. Check the forecast to see if you need an umbrella, Cress said. McTasney recommends disposable hand warmers.

☐ **Have a smooth border crossing** Whether you're travelling by land or air, find out what you're allowed to take to the U.S. Have all your medications, passport, and travel documents in a safe and accessible place, like a zippered bag in your carry-

on. You don't want to hold up your whole bus at the border, McTasney said.

☐ **Be comfy on the journey** The drive to D.C. could be 10 hours or more, depending on where you're coming from. So pack slippers, a blanket, a neck pillow and something to read, McTasney said.

☐ **Stock up on snacks and a water bottle** Choose things with protein to keep your energy up. Cress suggests granola bars, nuts, and jerky.

☐ **Phone, charger, and back-up battery:** Facebook Live is an increasingly popular way to broadcast in real-time. If you want to be able to stream at a moment's notice, it's a "no brainer" to make sure your technology is up to the job, Cress said. (Don't forget a data plan.)

☐ **WHAT NOT TO BRING** Avoid anything that could be interpreted as a weapon, Cress advised. Also, many items, including selfie sticks, large protest signs and backpacks bigger than 45x33x18 cm are banned from the actual inauguration ceremony.



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# The evolution of a teenage queen

## INTERVIEW

**Victoria was tiny in stature but giant in her courage, force**

**Sue Carter**  
For Metro Canada



In 2014, Daisy Goodwin was suffering through what Queen Elizabeth might call an *annus horribilis*. The British author and television producer found herself unemployed after being forced out of her own company, was diagnosed with a treatable form of breast cancer and, to top it all off, her house burned down in a freak accident.

Any one of those events would test a person's mettle, but Goodwin credits another female monarch, Queen Victoria, with getting her through one of the worst times in her life.

"Looking at a woman who had such incredible force and sense of self was rather encouraging," Goodwin says. "What I like about Victoria is that she's a flawed human being, but she



Jenna Coleman stars as the young Queen Victoria in the new series premiering Jan. 15 on PBS, which is based on Daisy Goodwin's take on the monarch's first three years in power. HANDOUT

has the courage to learn from her mistakes. She inspired me to write and to not indulge in self-pity."

Goodwin first became fascinated with the 19th-century British monarch back when she was a student in the early 1980s and discovered her journals at the Cambridge University library. As

it turns out, Queen Victoria was a prolific, lifelong diarist who wrote more than a formidable 62 million words over the course of her life. In particular, Goodwin was struck by Victoria's early journals, which chronicle her crowning as monarch at the age of 18, her infatuation with the Prime Minister, Lord

Melbourne, through the early years of her marriage to her first cousin, Prince Albert, to whom she proposed.

In those volumes, Goodwin discovered a "saucy, frisky, willful" self-possessed young woman, "quite interested in parties and boys and flirting, just like any teenage girl would be."

And so, still inspired 20 years later, and facing major personal obstacles, Goodwin began writing *Victoria*, a fictionalized take on the first three years of the Queen's reign. Goodwin initially conceived the story as a novel, then switched to a screenplay, which would eventually become the eight-part television series, also called *Victoria*, which debuts Jan. 15 on PBS.



**She loved sex. Sex was terribly important to her.**

Daisy Goodwin

For both the novel and series, Goodwin relied heavily on the journals, but also drew from memories of her own youth, and observations of her teenage daughter, who, like the Queen, is diminutive in stature.

"She's tiny but incredibly powerful as a character," says Goodwin (who wrote herself a cameo in the TV series as Lady Cecilia Buggins.) "I thought about what would happen if I woke up one morning and my

daughter was the boss of everyone. It was quite terrifying."

Although the 2009 film *The Young Victoria*, starring Emily Blunt, was a critical success, the image of the youthful ruler has never really resonated in pop culture like other members of British royalty. Goodwin speculates it's because the historic images of the older woman are so powerful they're impossible to set aside. It's also difficult to imagine that Queen — whose iconic likeness graces park statues with her thick jowls and stern demeanor — as the same sexually open human Goodwin discovered in the diaries.

"She loved sex. Sex was terribly important to her and I think we forget her humanity in the image of her," says Goodwin, who also observed that Victoria never seemed concerned about her physical appearance because she had power. "When you're surrounded by teenagers who spend their whole lives checking how many likes they have on Instagram, it's glorious to write about a woman for whom that is not an issue."

Sue Carter is the editor at Quill & Quire magazine.

## Q&amp;A

## 'Look at her, I don't think so'

How Natasha Stoyneff's body image book project helped her through a fresh attack from Donald Trump

Canadian journalist Natasha Stoyneff has worked for *People Magazine* and the *Toronto Star*. Her latest project is *Curvy and Confident*, a *Chicken Soup for the Soul* book that collects women's personal stories about finding body confidence.

If her name sounds familiar, that's because she's the same *People* magazine reporter who, in October, publicly stated that Donald Trump assaulted her in 2005. We asked her about the book and how she's feeling as her alleged assailant is about to be sworn in as president.

**What made a story stand out and make you know it needed to be included in the book?**

There were so many great submissions. I felt so personally connected to them all. So many were starting out with struggle and pain. And then you really realize how much women punish themselves and hate their bodies. No matter what shape or size. We have to do something about it. So many stories ... illustrated the theme that so many women don't live moments of their lives, because they're covering their bodies. You don't go to a function because you



don't have the right dress. You don't go to the beach or wear a bathing suit.

**I can't help but notice the dissonance between the message of this book and your experience. Donald Trump responded to your allegations by saying "Look at her, I don't think so".**

It was crazy. (The *People* piece was published) when we were in the last week of the book. I had just gone through all these stories about women baring their souls and being afraid of what people say about how they look.

Then the (Access Hollywood) tape came out, and a couple days later I saw what

he said at the debate (that the tape was "locker room talk"). And I was just so upset at what he was saying. Working on the book actually gave me the strength to write about it.

When you're a woman it's a struggle anyway to feel confident about how you look. Like every other woman, I have ups and downs with my level of curviness and my level of confidence. And so it was very jarring to have the president-elect refer to my looks on international television. Strangely, it didn't hurt me too much. I think I'd been strengthened by the book.

**Are you angry with the women who elected Trump?**

It's complicated. First of all, I think a lot of people may have not believed the women who came forward (and accused Trump of assaulting them). And then the ones who did don't hold that sort of thing as a priority. There's some great saying about a lion being in a cage, and then you take the bars away but they still circle the parameters of the cage. I think (some) women aren't comfortable yet with a woman in power. GENNA BUCK/METRO

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# Don't toss that poinsetta!

## GARDENING

### With some hard work, this plant will flower again

Poinsettias have become a best-selling potted plant, and are second in popularity only to Christmas trees during the holiday season. Unfortunately, they also are among the least understood.

They are not annuals. Poinsettias don't have to be tossed to the curb with the trees and tinsel once the celebrating is over. They can be restored to provide cheer for many more holidays, although it takes some work to make them colour up again.

"Poinsettias can be re-flowered for years," said Thomas Ford, a commercial horticulture instructor with Penn State Extension. "One former client I worked with in Maryland flowered his one poinsettia for over 10 years. It grew so large that he used his dining room as the display area for it."

Whether that kind of dedication is worth it, though, is an altogether different thing.

"I would say that the average consumer does not see any merit in keeping it for several years," Ford said.

"Overall, it is too time-consuming."

Poinsettias were introduced into the United States from Mexico roughly 200 years ago.

They are grown in several



Contrary to popular opinion, poinsettias are not annuals and they can and will flower again. However, even experts concede that this does take a fair bit of work. ISTOCK

**One former client I worked with ... flowered his one poinsettia for over 10 years. It grew so large that he used his dining room as the display area for it.**

Thomas Ford

Central America nations as perennial shrubs reaching 10 to 15 feet in height.

That doesn't mean they can be propagated even in the hottest parts of the U.S., however,

said Peter Warren, a horticulture agent with University of Arizona Cooperative Extension.

"Poinsettias cannot tolerate frost or freezing temperatures, so places in southern Arizona and other parts of the South that occasionally experience cooler temperatures are not good places to grow them outside," Warren said.

Poinsettia's coloured leaves,

or bracts, have been hybridized over the years into more than 100 varieties, from the traditional red to pink, white, cream, burgundy and variegated.

The plant's flowers are small, yellowish green and positioned deep within the bract clusters.

Here's a generally accepted seasonal time line for re-colouring poinsettias:

- Keep temperatures between 16 and 21 C from December to February.

- Let the plants get as much sunlight as possible. Water them regularly.

- In March or April, as the bracts age and turn a muddy green, cut the stems back to about 8 inches high. "Around July 4, cut branches back again about half their length to encourage bushy plants," Warren said.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

Poinsettias were introduced into the United States from Mexico roughly 200 years ago.

- From mid- to late October, the plants must be kept in complete darkness for 14 continuous hours each night.

"This can be done by moving the plant to a dark room or placing a box over it," Warren said.

"During this period, the plant requires six to eight hours of bright sunlight and night temperatures between 16 and 21 C.

"This regimen must continue for eight to 10 weeks in order for the plant to develop colourful bracts for the holiday season."

- The bracts should be developing some colour by mid-November.

- In early December, bract colouration should be almost complete and the plant can be restored to everyday light.

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## RETROSPECTIVE

# 'Chareau is the most invisible of the great designers'

More than a decade before Philip Johnson designed his iconic Glass House, French designer and architect Pierre Chareau designed the Maison de Verre in 1932 in Paris. It featured one of the world's first glass-brick exterior walls — three stories high.

Chareau's work straddles industrial esthetics and traditional fine craftsmanship, clean spare lines and playful 1920s whimsy. He made futuristic gadgets like folding staircases, a pivoting bidet and sliding walls. His furniture, with elegant woods and hand-wrought iron, was made for

the few and the wealthy. Many pieces fold or have multiple uses, designed for small but chic Paris apartments.

It was a gem-like world soon to be violently dismantled with the start of the Second World War, and Chareau, despite moving to New York to flee the war, has remained little known in the United States.

An exhibit, Pierre Chareau: Modern Architecture and Design, billed as the first in the U.S. to focus on him, is on view at The Jewish Museum in Manhattan through March 26. It was organ-

ized by guest curator Esther da Costa Meyer, professor of the history of modern architecture at Princeton University, in collaboration with the Centre Pompidou in Paris. It will not travel beyond New York.

The show is accompanied by a hefty and richly illustrated book with essays by a half-dozen leading scholars. Pierre Chareau: Modern Architecture and Design, was published in 2016 by The Jewish Museum and Yale University Press.

"Chareau is the most invisible of the great designers, because

outside of France, there are less than a dozen pieces by him on view in museums anywhere in the world. It's all in private collections," said da Costa Meyer. "And the most famous masterpiece he did, the Maison de Verre, has always been in private hands and is not visible from the street. He is really known by designers."

Chareau worked in "the golden age of French design before the Depression, and he was trained in that grand tradition," she said. "He was one of the leaders of the early trend to modernize." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Pierre Chareau designed high-backed chauffeuses with tapestry upholstery by Jean Lurçat.

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Johnny Manziel will be in Houston ahead of the Super Bowl to give fans a chance to take a pic at a price: \$50 per selfie and \$99 for pro portraits

## Hischier, newbies lead Mooseheads to victory

QMJHL

### Islanders burned by two former teammates

**Jonathan Briggs**  
For Metro | Halifax

Two of Halifax's newest players came back to haunt their old team on Wednesday night.

In his third game with the Mooseheads, 20-year-old Jake Coughler scored his first goal as a Moosehead against his former club, the Charlottetown Islanders, in a 4-1 win at Scotiabank Centre.

"It's a good feeling to get that first one out of the way and it just so happened to be against the old team, which is pretty fun," said Coughler.

It was goalie Blade Mann-Dixon who stole the show and helped the Mooseheads escape with a win despite being outshot 39-18.

In the first period, Mann-Dixon turned away 13 shots from his former club while

the Moose only managed one shot and struggled to get past a re-tooled veteran Islanders blue line.

A wild scramble in the crease in the final two minutes of regulation while on the penalty kill was another highlight for the 19-year-old.

"I was flopping all over the place," said Mann-Dixon. "I didn't have time to get up so I stayed down. It hit me in the chest and then it went back door. I sprawled across and got lucky."

Nico Hischier opened the scoring 13 minutes into the second period after missing a penalty shot earlier in the frame. Hischier's 27th goal came when he ripped a shot off a pass from Max Fortier.

The Swiss forward returned the favour later in the period, feeding a pass to Fortier for a goal, his league-leading 65th point of the season.

Hischier was given a breather on Sunday after a busy December playing for Switzerland in the world juniors and looked energized as he finished the night with two goals and two assists, giving him 58 points in 34 games.

Defenceman Walter Flower

WEDNESDAY In Halifax

**4** **1**  
HERD ISLANDERS



Mooseheads centre Raphael Lavoie gets around Islanders defenceman Pierre-Olivier Joseph at the Scotiabank Centre on Wednesday night. JEFF HARPER/METRO

returned to the lineup after going down with an injury on Nov. 18. Winger Connor Moynihan also came back from injury, out since Dec. 3. With the return of Jocktan Chainey against Saint John last Sunday, the Moose are almost back to full strength with Barrett Dachyshyn the

only injured player on the roster.

Charlottetown sniper François Beauchemin scored his second goal in three games since joining the team after a trade deadline deal with the Val-d'Or Foreurs. Beauchemin is tied for second in QMJHL goal scoring with 29.

### + SCHEDULE

Halifax continues a three-game homestand on Friday against the Drummondville Voltigeurs at 7 p.m. and the Victoriaville Tigres on Sunday at 3 p.m.

NFL PLAYOFFS

### Steelers look to take better care of ball

Mike Tomlin didn't mention any names. Then again, he didn't really have to. Quarterback Ben Roethlisberger and centre Maurkice Pouncey are the only two players on the Pittsburgh Steelers who put their fingers around the laces on every offensive snap.

And really, there's only one who has the power to decide when, where and how the football gets where it needs to go. So Tomlin left little to the imagination when describing what his surging team needs to do if it wants to find a way to get out of Kansas City with a win on Sunday in the divisional round of the playoffs.

"We have to do a better job of taking care of the ball," Tomlin said. "It is January. You have to take care of the football. It's catastrophic to your cause when it's good-on-good."

Except, oddly, when it's not. The Steelers (12-5) have reeled off eight straight victories even with Roethlisberger occasionally throwing interceptions.

Roethlisberger had a three-interception day in Buffalo last month and threw another two picks last weekend against Miami in the wild-card round.

"Luckily we had a big enough lead that it didn't matter as much," Roethlisberger said. "But moving forward we need to make sure we limit those mistakes, and I'll start with myself."

He'll need to be especially sharp on the road against a team that created 21 of its 33 takeaways in the red-clad sea of noise at Arrowhead Stadium.

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Roethlisberger has thrown eight of his 15 interceptions on the season in his last five games. GETTY IMAGES

SOCCER

### Southampton gets leg up on Liverpool

Liverpool endured more cup frustration when Southampton won the first leg of their League Cup semifinal 1-0 on Wednesday.

Nathan Redmond capitalized on a mistake by Ragnar Klavan to score the only goal in the 20th minute and Southampton could rue not building a stronger lead to take to Anfield in two weeks' time.

"I should have had four today, on another day they might go in," Redmond told broadcaster Sky Sports. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Nathan Redmond GETTY IMAGES

### IN BRIEF

#### Manchester City faces anti-doping violation

The English Football Association has charged Manchester City with breaching anti-doping rules.

The FA says Pep Guardiola's team failed to ensure that information about players' whereabouts was accurate.

City has been given until Jan. 19 to respond to the charge. The club is fourth in the Premier League in Guardiola's first season in charge. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NHL

### Canadiens run up the score on Jets

Phillip Danault and Artturi Lehkonen each scored twice as the Montreal Canadiens dominated the Winnipeg Jets in a 7-4 victory on Wednesday.

Al Montoya, playing against his former team, made 22 saves for the Canadiens (26-10-6).

Connor Hellebuyck allowed three goals on seven shots in his sixth straight start before being replaced by Michael Hutchinson late in the first period. Hutchinson stopped 19 of the 23 shots he faced.

In Winnipeg

**7** **4**  
HABS JETS

Brian Flynn, Tomas Plekanec and Sven Andrighetto.

Mark Scheifele scored twice, Mathieu Perreault had a goal and assist and Bryan Little had his seventh of the season for Winnipeg (20-21-3). THE CANADIAN PRESS



MAKE IT TONIGHT

# Succulent Chicken Paillard



PHOTO: MAYA VISNVEI

**Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh**  
For Metro Canada

It's freezing outside but you can still bring brightness to the table with this juicy chicken dinner.

**Ready in 20 minutes**

Prep time: 20 minutes

Cook time: 10 minutes

Serves 4

**Ingredients**

- 4 boneless, skinless chicken breasts
- kosher salt
- pepper
- 1/2 cup diced red onion
- about 12 cherry tomatoes, halved
- 1/2 cup diced cucumber
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh basil, plus more for garnish
- 1 1/2 tbsp lemon juice
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 3 large, ripe avocados, diced
- 2 tps olive oil

**Directions**

**1.** Place chicken between two pieces of plastic wrap or inside a plastic bag; pound to 1/4-inch thick using a mallet or rolling pin. Season with salt and pepper.

**2.** In large bowl, toss onion, tomatoes, cucumber, basil, lemon juice and salt. Gently mix in avocado.

**3.** Lightly oil grill grate or grill pan with oil-soaked towel. Grill chicken, turning once, until cooked through and grill marks appear, about 2 minutes per side. Transfer to a clean platter. (Or you can cook your chicken in a large cast iron skillet over medium heat. Warm 1 tsp oil and add two chicken breasts and cook 4 minutes on each side. Repeat with the last two breasts.)

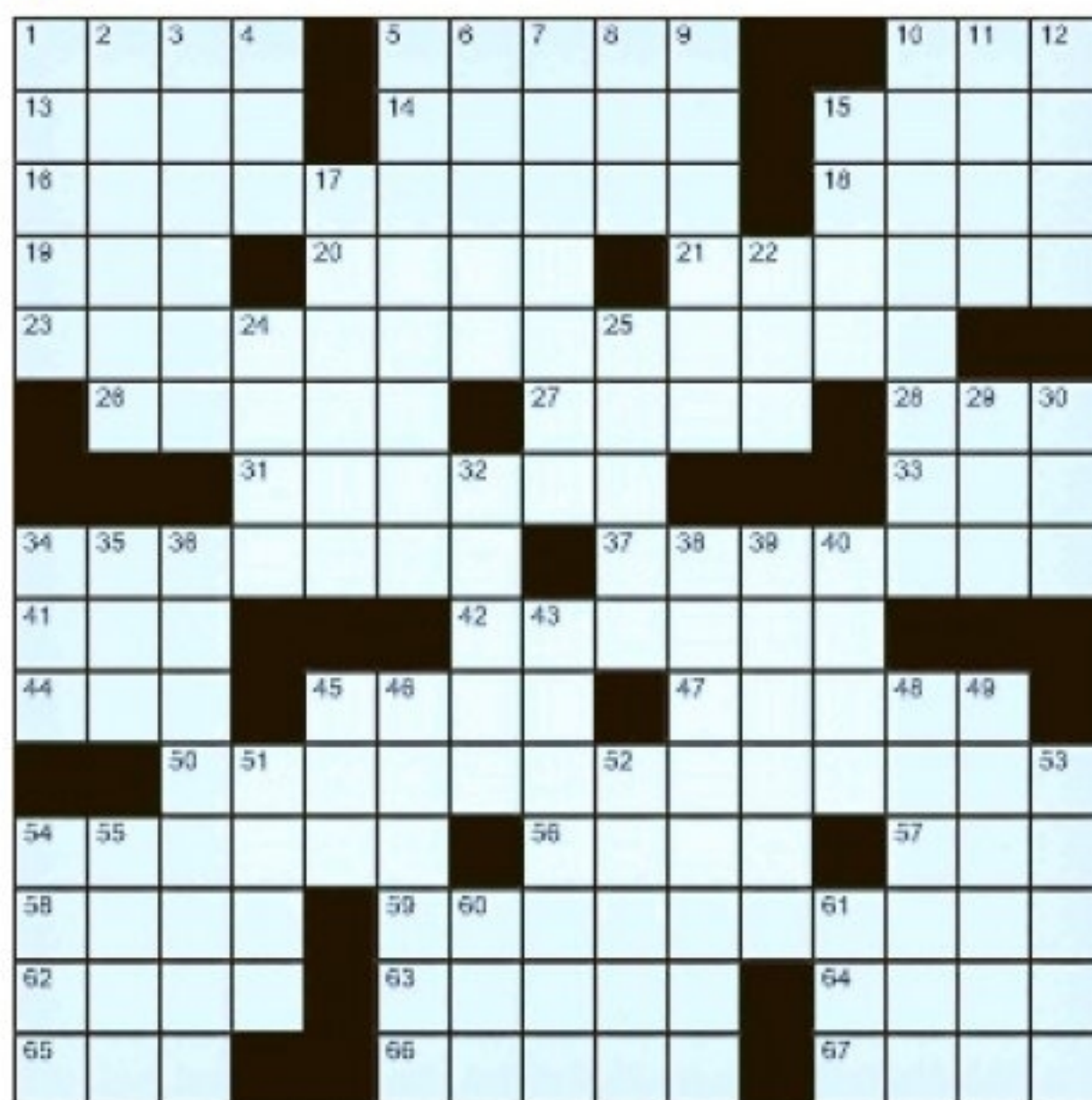
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## CROSSWORD Canada Across and Down

BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN

**ACROSS**

- Post-Winters times [abbr.]
- Appointed
- Metric units, e.g.
- "Able was I \_\_ saw Elba."
- Ms. Donovan of "Clueless" (1995)
- Fearsome reptile, commonly
- One saying "It's now 2pm ...and now it's 3:12pm ...7:23pm now...": 2 wds.
- American chat host Kelly
- Apricot-like Japanese fruit
- Prefix to 'ology' (Study of the eye's iris in alternative medicine)
- Rinsed, as with a solvent
- Honour in 1995 for author Carol Shields for The Stone Diaries: 2 wds.
- Buying-stuff place
- \_\_ River, of New York City
- Hosiery glitch
- Planets
- 'Advert' suffix
- Language spoken in Spain
- Jewelled as Duchess Kate at a formally posh function
- Princess Eugenie's sis
- Schedule
- Shortened sandwich
- Pinnacle
- Sub instrument
- Canadian ballet



legend who is an Officer of the Order of Canada: 2 wds.  
54. "Makes sense to me now": 3 wds.  
56. Noon: French  
57. Court  
58. Rapper, Flo \_\_  
59. Astronaut's apparel: 2 wds.

62. Mr. Philbin, et al.  
63. Printer need  
64. Take off  
65. Compass pt.  
66. Soothsayers  
67. Alberta town

**DOWN**

1. Get tables, chairs,

etc. ready at the reception: 2 wds.  
2. Canadian telecommunications provider  
3. Make more cheese gooey again  
4. "Sprechen \_\_ Deutsch?"  
5. Pretty close to being

freezing: 2 wds.  
6. "Kate & \_\_"  
7. " \_\_ Pierce" (1945) starring Joan Crawford  
8. WNW's opposite  
9. Challengers  
10. Standards/guidelines  
11. Sulk  
12. Carangid fish

- Penelope of pictures
- Lemon, in Longueuil
- Sch. course, English \_\_
- Cedar Rapids locale
- Tomato \_\_ (Pantry item)
- Operate
- "Waking \_\_ Devine" (1998)
- Cud-chewing creature
- Fred \_\_ (Cabaret lyricist)
- Salt, in Montreal
- Reality star Audrina
- Those in the know about unknown information
- Handsome fellow of ancient Greek mythology
- Phoned
- Relevant
- Wood chopper
- Treasure boxes
- Freely/whenever you choose: 2 wds.
- Entrenched
- Those, in Spain
- Kitchen gadget for potatoes despite its name
- Sniffers
- Hockey star Bobby's kin
- Gets the horse going!
- Edgar Allan's surname
- Sci-Fi ride

## IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

**Aries** March 21 - April 20  
A secret love affair might take you over the moon today. Yes, you might be swept away by the romance of it all! Others will be involved in pleasant secrets.

**Taurus** April 21 - May 21  
You feel tenderhearted and supportive toward a friend today. In fact, some of you will feel so cozy with a friend that he or she could become a lover!

**Gemini** May 22 - June 21  
Someone might ask for your creative input on something today. Meanwhile, some of you will strike up a new romance with your boss or someone in a position of authority.

**Cancer** June 22 - July 23  
Because your appreciation of beauty is heightened today, let yourself enjoy beautiful places like parks, art galleries, museums and gorgeous buildings. It will please you.

**Leo** July 24 - Aug. 23  
In discussions about how to divide or share something today, you feel generous toward others. This is good; nevertheless, don't give away the farm.

**Virgo** Aug. 24 - Sept. 23  
Relations with partners and close friends are warm and friendly today. That's because you feel mutually sympathetic and understanding. Gosh.

**Libra** Sept. 24 - Oct. 23  
Someone might ask for your advice at work today. There's no doubt that you will feel sympathetic to co-workers. You also will enjoy a chance to make your workspace look more attractive.

**Scorpio** Oct. 24 - Nov. 22  
This is the kind of day where love at first sight might happen for some of you. You feel starry-eyed, vulnerable and ready for romance.

**Sagittarius** Nov. 23 - Dec. 21  
Family discussions will go well today, because family members are sympathetic to each other. You also will enjoy redecorating or making your home look more beautiful.

**Capricorn** Dec. 22 - Jan. 20  
You feel kindhearted to others today, especially siblings and neighbors. Meanwhile, many of you can make money from your words.

**Aquarius** Jan. 21 - Feb. 19  
If shopping today, you will be tempted to be extravagant because it will be tough to resist elegance and luxury. Oh yes! That's why they call it luxury — and of course, it is irresistible!

**Pisces** Feb. 20 - March 20  
Today you feel very tuned in to the world, which is why you are sympathetic and open to everyone. You are very aware that kindness is important.

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